

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1-12 (Previously cancelled)

13. (Currently amended) A PET bottle comprising:

(a) a bottle main body and a cap that is detachably attached to a mouth portion of the bottle main body;

(b) wherein the bottle main body is made of a thermoplastic resin and comprises a base portion and an ornamental portion formed in an animal or human shape;

(c) wherein the base portion is provided with decompression panels adapted to avoid deformation or fracture of the bottle main body following compression/decompression inside the bottle main body;

(d) wherein the ornamental portion formed in an animal or human shape includes: a substantially elliptical cross-section that is formed such that it does not exceed an external circumference of the base portion, and a gradually curved side of the elliptical cross section on which all or a portion of the ornamental portion is formed.

14. (Previously added) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein forming the ornamental portion such that it does not exceed an external circumference of the base portion prevents the ornamental portion from damage during transportation.

15. (Previously added) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein each of the decompression panels include recessed portions including a substantially arcuate surface.

16. (Previously added) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein at least one of the decompression panels are substantially rectangular.

17. (Currently amended) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein the ornamental portion ~~includes is formed of a figurine shape including~~ at least one of a head, a torso, arms and legs.

18. (New) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein the ornamental portion is formed in the shape of an automobile or rocket, instead of an animal or human shape.

19 (New) The PET bottle of claim 13, wherein a cap is provided in the shape of a hat.